

REMARKS

The present Amendment is in response to the Official Action mailed February 18, 2010 ("the Action"). Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 18, 21, 22, 24, and 25 have been amended herein. Claims 2, 10, 12, and 19 have been previously canceled. Therefore, claims 1, 3-9, 11, 13-18, and 20-25 remain pending in the present case. The following sets forth Applicants' remarks pertaining to those currently pending claims and the Action.

As an initial matter, Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for taking the time on February 24, 2010, to discuss the present matter with the undersigned counsel. During that discussion, which is evidenced by the Examiner's Interview Summary dated March 1, 2010 ("the Summary"), the Examiner and the undersigned discussed minor amendments that could be presented to the claims in order to overcome the claim objections noted in the Action. In fact, the Examiner indicated that should the applicants make such minor revisions (those made above), the objections would be overcome and the case would be allowed. Moreover, the Examiner indicated that she would consider any after final amendment submitted in this matter.

By way of the present Amendment, Applicants have indeed amended certain of the claims above to overcome the objections set forth in the Action. In particular, Applicants have included identifiers for the "recess" limitations set forth in certain of the claims. For instance, independent claim 1 has been amended to require that the head of the anchoring member include a first recess, where the slide define a second recess. Further, dependent claim 4 has been amended to recite that the external surface of the anchoring member have third recesses. Similar amendments of other of the claims have also been presented herein. Likewise, Applicants have also amended dependent claims 5, 9, and 22 to remove limitations already recited in the respective independent claims from which they

depend. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments overcome the claim objections, and that such amendments do not constitute new matter. Therefore, in light of the foregoing, applicants respectfully request allowance of each and every one of the currently pending claims.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that she telephone Applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which she might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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